

Meeting Record

MPO Technical Committee Meeting Thursday, October 20, 2005 @ 1:30 p.m. 555 South 10th Street, Room 113 Lincoln, Nebraska

**MEMBERS AND OTHERS
IN ATTENDANCE:**

Karl Fredrickson, Randy Hoskins, Larry Worth, Virendra Singh, Roger Figard, Public Works & Utilities, David Cary, Marvin Krout, Planning Dept., Marc Wullschleger, Urban Development, Dan Waddle, (for R. Peters) Jim Miller, Steve McBeth, NDOR, Steve Burnham, FHWA, Jon Large, (for J. Wood) Lincoln Airport Authority, Steve Burnham, FHWA, Doug Pillard, Lancaster County Engineering

ABSENT:

Rich Ruby

OTHERS:

Kent Morgan, Mike Brienzo, Brian Praeuner, Ron Schlautman, Terry Genrich, Mike Carlin, Glenna Graupmann,

**STATED PURPOSE OF
THE MEETING:**

Technical Committee Meeting

Karl Fredrickson called the meeting to order and roll call was taken.

Agenda Item No. 1 – Review and action on the draft minutes of the June 24, 2005, Technical Committee Meeting.

Corrections noted of Bechtel with the FTA (Page 3) and Frank Rich (Page 4).

A motion was made by Marc Wullschleger to approve the minutes, Roger Figard seconded. Motion carried.

Agenda Items No. 2 – Briefing on the Nebraska Department of Roads Long Range Transportation Plan Update.

Steve McBeth gave an update on the long range transportation plan stating that they are two-thirds of the way through with the project. They are using a consultant to help assist with this project. While this is basically a policy document and a framework as a guideline for transportation for the next 20 years, it is not a specific solution to potential problems. They have developed goals and objectives by a lot of stakeholders. They will be developing a reporting program and will use the annual report for that process. Looking at all modes of travel, state and local, for the next twenty five years will be approximately \$33 Billion. They will be able to compare the needs through databases that are used for estimating and will be able to see the

shortages. They do need to come up with some funding options to help close the financial gaps. This is not intended to stir the Legislature to take action. There has been an outreach program all along to meet with the public for input and in March there was a stakeholders meeting. There is a website available to view and the final document, when completed, will be posted there and hopefully there will be response in the form of comments.

Marvin Krout asked about public hearing for the acceptance of this document. Steve stated that the Dept. of Roads is trying to figure out how to do that. Karl Fredrickson asked when the actions items would be done. Steve said he anticipated by late fall or Christmas. Roger Figard stated that the City is getting ready to update their long range plans and would like to be able to see what the state has for specific goals for projects. Steve stated that these were already on the website and they have not received any comments thus far on what is out there. Some of the goals were safety, environmental stewardship, etc. He said they had not planned to set strategies for the City of Lincoln. We do intend to measure to see that we are making progress. Karl Fredrickson suggested that everyone should take the opportunity to view this website.
<http://www.dor.state.ne.us/lrtp/index.htm>

Agenda Item No. 3 – Briefing on the Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan Update.

David Cary and Virendra Singh gave a presentation on the Lincoln-Lancaster County Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan Update.

Dave explained that the Planning Commission approves this plan and we want to make sure that they have it early on and there will be no formal action until next year.

See Presentation Slides at the MPO Website:

<http://www.lincoln.ne.gov/city/pworks/engine/mpo/index.htm>

Agenda Item No. 4 – Establishing the Technical Subcommittee for the Comprehensive Plan and Transportation Plan Update.

Virendra stated that the handout identified people who have been recommended to serve on this committee. The charge of this subcommittee will be to act as a sounding board and advisory for the technical committee by reviewing the details of the 2030 Transportation Plan. This committee plans to meet monthly and if someone has a conflict, another representative can be sent.

Karl asked if anyone had any problems with serving on this subcommittee.

Steve McBeth suggested that many of the folks on this list are very busy and if the times could be set up well in advance, that would be appreciated. Mr. Singh agreed and stated they would use that method.

The subcommittee members are as follows: David Cary, (C/C Planning Dept.), Terry Genrich, (City Parks Dept.), Ron Kratzer, (LES), Doug Pillard, (Lancaster County Engineering Dept.), Steve McBeth and Randy Peters, (NDOR Planning, Traffic Engineering & ITS), Steve Burnham and John Perry, (FWHA Planning, Safety Engineering & ITS), Dennis Bartels, (Engineering Services), Rick Thorson, (Health Dept.), Brian Praeuner, (Star Tran), Mack Bechtel, (FTA Community Planner), Randy Hoskins and Virendra Singh (Engineering Services).

Marc Wullschleger gave the motion to approve the list for the committee. Roger Figard seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda Item No. 5 – Open Comments:

Karl Fredrickson asked if there was any news on funding from the federal government. Steve Burnham stated that a new authorization bill was signed into law on August 10th. However, the appropriation bill for 2006 has not yet passed congress and the money is coming in drips.

Meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.